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THE GUEST BOOK

Have you received your Guest Book et? One of our ministers reports hat he gave his out when he received hem, and people were phoning him ow much they were enjoying reading t, so he had to order more! And this efore the reading is supposed to comnence! They just couldn't wait anther two weeks to start the reading.

Think what you will be missing if ou don't get your copy. There is one age to be read every day for four weeks, beginning with Sunday, October 13th. It contains interesting stories about our workers all over the world, thngs you have wished you knew about, that makes these people real friends of yours, not mere names in the Year Book. Be sure to get your copy in time to begin reading it next Sunday, the 13th.

REPORT OF THE FEDERATION MEETING

The fall meeting of the Federation of Congregational Women of Northern California was held September 19 in the First Congregational Church, San Mateo. The morning session, with Mrs. Thomas E. Borden presiding, opened at ten o'clock with organ prelude, Mrs. G. S. Johnson of the San Mateo Church at the organ. This was followed by the singing of hymn "Father, Whate'er of Earthly Bliss," and then the devotional service, led by Mrs. Benjamin Gould of San Jose.

Mrs. Charles L. Kloss, wife of the pastor of the enterprising church, gave greetings in well chosen words, and in her usual happy manner.

Reports of the Asilomar Conference followed, Mrs. J. E. Wallace of Berkeley speaking on the Adult Conference, and Mrs. L. M. Drury of Stockton on the Young People's Conference.

A tabloid play, "The Pastors Dine," was presented by five ladies of the First Congregational Church, Berkeley, and was greatly enjoyed.

Then came the box luncheon, for which tables were arranged in the social hall, cloister and on the lawn, in a most attractive setting.

The honor guest, Mrs. Thomas T. Giffen, recently elected Moderator of the Northern California Congregational Conference, was introduced.

A short talk by Mr. Allen E. McAllister, giving an outline of his work in West Central Africa, was the feature of the noon hour.

At the afternoon session Mrs. H. M. Smitten presided. An organ recital, beautiful vocal duets, and the hymn "My God, I Thank Thee," opened the session. A message from Washington (State) by Mrs. Francis J. VanHorn, Oakland, dealt with the problems of our weaker churches, and urged that we may not wake up to find that we have built up this beautiful (Missionary) structure and find it is on a crumbling foundation.

The address by Rev. Charles L. Kloss was given in his usual happy vein. The topic, "Beauty," was handled n a masterful manner, contrasts being made, dealing with the old-time parlors now living rooms, churches beautiful and churches uninviting, cathedrals; the beautiful, an appeal to the infinite, an appeal to the soul. The picture invites an appeal to the eye and to the soul. Skyscrapers have been going from the strictly plain to the beautifully orna-

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Adin	78	62	0.80	1,150	14.74	58	200	3.45	718	12.38
Alameda	246	576	2.34	4,257	17.30	285	395	1.38½	5,202	18.25
Alton	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alturas	75	82	1.09	2,320	30.93	72	60	0.83	2,661	36.95
Angel's Camp	26	39	1.50	1,111	42.77	15	90	6.00	921	61.40
Antioch	61	80	1.31	2,227	36.51–	101	53	0.52½	4.018	39.78
Auburn	125	.....	.....	3,000	24.00	114	67	0.59–	2,215	19.43
Bay Point	14	44	3.14	650	46.43	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benicia	75	106	1.41	2,142	28.56	56	39	0.69½	1,759	31.41
Berenda	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berkeley—										
Bethany	22	56	2.54	350	15.91	0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chinese	27	.....	.....	1,100	40.74	40	.....	.....	1,500	37.50
First	826	6,143	7.43	14,995	18.15	1,300	9,026	6.94	46,504	35.77
North	378	2,038	5.39	7,350	19.44	296	2,296	7.75	9,300	31.41
Park	146	243	1.66	2,010	13.76	110	243	2.21	1,650	15.00
Bethany	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Biola	240	215	0.89	22,250	92.71	225	247	1.10	2,187	9.72
Bowles	30	25	0.83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Byron	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Callahan	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Campbell	152	647	4.25	2,460	16.11	142	477	3.36	3,915	27.57
Canby	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ceres	93	565	6.07	2,375	25.54	136	631	4.64	1,857	13.65
Clayton	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cloverdale	84	110	1.31	1,703	20.27	97	277	2.85½	2,520	25.98–
Cotati	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	65	2.41–	.....	.....
Cottonwood	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crockett	53	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	154	2.75	2,400	42.86–
Davis Creek	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decoto	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dinuba	84	269	3.20	2,267	26.98	46	85	1.85–	1,407	30.58
Dorris	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Earlimart	13	77	5.92	151	11.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elk Grove						34	8	0.23½	450	13.23
Etna Mills	44	74	1.68	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eureka	272	290	1.06	3,525	12.96	271	249	0.92–	5,093	18.79
Fairfax	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	39	0.60	.....	.....
Falk	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ferndale	67	395	6.04	1,363	20.34	33	249	7.54	1,222	37.03
Field's Landing	7	20	2.85	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Bidwell	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	100	9.09
Indian						50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fowler	92	84	0.91	2,500	27.17	75	.....	.....	1,275	17.00
Fresno—										
Emanuel	36	.....	.....	200	5.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
First	285	1,031	3.61	6,210	21.79	348	908	2.61–	8,900	25.57
Free Cross	1,148	282	0.24½	.....	.....	1,350	207	0.15	.....	.....
Japanese	155	.....	.....	2,218	14.31	212	30	0.14	2,692	12.70
Pilgrim	341	678	1.98	5,382	15.78	375	126	0.33	5,170	13.80–
Third	218	1,99	0.93	.....	.....	179	59	0.33–	.....	.....
Zion	324	205	0.63	2,200	6.79	250	241	0.96	2,047	8.19–
Glen Ellen	25	21	0.84	507	20.28	39	51	1.31–	659	16.90
Grass Valley	119	251	2.11	2,380	20.00	142	129	0.90	2,970	20.91
Guerneville	48	107	2.23	1,500	31.25	147	85	1.81	1,575	33.51
Hayfork	31	.....	.....	1,064	34.32	36	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hayward	112	117	1.04	2,086	18.62½	101	2102	1.01	2,048	20.27
Herald	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hydesville	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kenwood	20	61	3.05	718	35.90	21	63	3.00	8.33	39.66
Lewiston						27	.....	.....	.....	.....
Likely	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincoln	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Shasta	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lockeford	43	201	4.67	1,445	33.60	20	53	2.65	1,405	70.25
Lodi—										
Ebenezer	72	195	2.71–	1,760	24.44	65	85	1.31–	1,400	21.54
First	394	2,073	5.26	5,591	14.18	362	1,856	5.12	5,907	16.31
Loleta	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loomis	108	310	2.87	2,953	27.34	128	80	0.63	2,410	18.82
Los Gatos						48	101	2.10	1,363	28.39
Martinez	121	449	3.71	2,875	23.76	146	267	1,83–	45,889	314.30
Mill Valley	87	248	2.85	1,928	22.16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Murphy	12	33	2.75	.....	.....	19	13	0.68	333	17.52
Nevada City	82	50	0.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Niles	33	154	4.67–	3,267	99.00	41	47	1.14	.....	.....
Oakland—										
Calvary	159	392	2.46	.....	.....	75	101	1.35	.....	.....
First	1,737	5,340	3.08	20,000	11.51	1,419	10,185	7.18–	47,000	33.12
Fruitvale	223	392	1.75	3,246	14.55	65	157	2.41	2,822	58.80

mented. The meeting closed with the benediction by Dr. Kloss.

The San Mateo Chamber of Commerce provided automobiles, drivers and escort for the ladies present, in numbers about three hundred, for a drive to view some of the beautiful estates and other points of interest in and adjoining San Mateo and Burlingame. The drive followed immediately after the close of the meeting. All were unanimous in voting the day a profitable and happy one.

M. E. Haswell.

SAN CARLOS

During the months of July and August, the Sunday School was closed owing to the great number of people on vacations, but the last Sunday in August they reopened with new enthusiasm and increased numbers. With an enrollment in the Primary Department of 23, they have had to purchase some new chairs to take care of the children. The pastor teaches a popular Bible class, which holds a monthly social.

The evening service is the only preaching service in the church, and since vacation time the audiences have greatly increased and the interest shown is great. This is a truly remarkable showing for a church only about two years old—our Conference baby.

NATIONAL COUNCIL TOURS

If you have been planning to go to Europe some time, at the lowest possible cost, now is the time to be planning seriously about it. The National Council will help you.

In conjunction with the International Congregational Council, to be held at Bournemouth, England, July 1 to 5, 1930, the National Council has issued a folder listing two tours through England and Scotland, and one tour through France, Switzerland, Germany and Holland. If you are interested, write to The National Council of Congregational Churches, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City, asking for their folder, "Attractive Little Journeys."

PERSONALS

We have just received a letter signed by Mr. Enman, so we know he is at least able to write again. At last reports he was in a hospital in Santa Rosa for an operation. We are glad to know that his disability was only of a temporary nature.

Rev. W. E. Eckles, who went to the **Auburn** Church last fall, has just turned in his resignation, effective December 1st, one year from the time he went there. At that time the Auburn church was feeling very disheartened and talking of a federation with another church in the town, but Mr. Eckles' year there has served to put new heart into the people, so that they are now in marching order.

Rev. E. W. Houlding reorts that he has distributed 100 pamphlets of the Commission on Evangelism in the town of **Benicia.** We hope these bear fruit in a real revival of religious interest. He now has an enthusiastic Y. P. society with about thirty High School students and young people.

Rev. Isaac Cookman's work in **Calaveras** County is beginning to bear fruit. He reports the Sunday School at Copperopolis is growing under the leadership of two of the women, with the possibility of it becoming a preaching station. The two present preaching stations, at Angels Camp and Murphy, are increasing in attendance now that the weather is becoming cooler.

Rev. W. S. Bloom, who is doing part-time work at our **Cotati** Church, reports a great renewal of interest in the Sunday School. With an enrollment of 60, they have an average attendance of 55. Has any other Sunday School an average attendance of 92 per cent of its enrollment?

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Oakland—Cont'd.										
Grace	106	67	0.63	1,400	13.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Pilgrim	177	166	0.93	2,919	16.49	210	359	1.71	5,985	28.5
Olivet	107	165	1.54	3,348	31.29	77	182	2.36	3,133	40.6
Japanese	135	19	0.14	1,450	10.74	157	.....	.....	1,750	11.1
Pilgrim	137	81	0.59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plymouth	683	883	1.29	18,198	26.65	732	2,509	3.43	16,509	22.5
Oleander	40	111	2.77	1,439	35.97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orland						39	.....	.....	301	7.7
Oroville	244	752	3.08	2,781	11.40–	312	434	1.39	3,909	12.5
Pacific Grove	216	352	1.63	.....	.....	222	721	3.24	6,117	27.5
Palermo	12	29	2.42–	162	13.50	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Palo Alto	178	1,113	6.25	5,205	29.24	336	2,025	6.02	6,727	20.0
Paradise	116	188	1.62	1,156	9.96	139	157	1.13–	1,976	14.2
Parlier	48	25	0.52	.....	.....	21	5	0.24	500	23.8
Pescadero	7	1	0.14	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Petaluma	189	1,077	5.69	3.515	18.60	198	1,101	5.56	5,389	27.2
Pittsburg	70	146	2.08	4.076	58.23–	155	117	0.75	5,213	33.6
Port Costa	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Porterville	264	439	1.66	3,000	11.36	272	216	0.79	5,893	21.6
Redwood City	256	1,216	4.75	3,000	11.71	505	975	1.93	7,418	14.6
Spanish	13	.....	.....	1,341	103.15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reedley—										
Armenian	38	32	0.85	1,800	47.37–	38	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finnish	25	33	1.32	976	39.04	23	.....	.....	264	11.4
Rio Vista	77	36	0.46	.....	.....	103	20	0.19	.....	.....
Ripon	87	98	1.12	1,443	16.58	141	30	0.21	2,325	16.4
Rocklin	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rohnerville	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sacramento	277	391	1.41	6,200	22.38	501	805	1.60	19,905	24.7
Salida	25	36	1.44	1,350	54.00	40	76	1.90	1,160	29.0
San Andreas	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
San Carlos						31	.....	.....	1,400	45.1
San Francisco—										
Bethany	34	210	6.17	.....	.....	77	274	3.56–	446	5.7
Bethlehem	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary						63	.....	.....	2,400	38.1
Chinese	247	.....	.....	.....	.....	259	.....	.....	2,454	9.5
First	821	5.812	7.08	59,324	72.25	750	3,001	4.00	35,249	47.0
Italian	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Japanese	206	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	.....	.....	3,655	29.2
Mission Park	162	455	2.80	4,650	28.70	108	190	1.76	3,211	29.7
Ocean View	22	97	4.41	.....	.....	38	.....	.....	635	16.7
Richmond	47	63	1.34	.....	.....	50	99	1.98	1,371	27.4
Spanish	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sunset	41	144	3.51	1,375	33.53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sanger	229	274	1.19	.....	.....	246	164	0.66	2,100	8.5
San Jose	372	1,010	2.71	8,169	21.96	344	1,364	3.96	6,468	18.8
San Juan	19	60	3.16	.....	.....	31	7	0.22	6,468	33.4
San Leandro	34	27	0.80	312	9.17	151	124	0.82	3,263	21.6
San Lorenzo	40	281	7.02	831	20.77	47	94	2.00	1,250	26.6
San Mateo	179	303	1.69	4,117	23.00	327	640	1.95	8,587	26.2
San Rafael	59	107	1.81	1,751	29.00	59	6	0.10	.....	.....
Santa Cruz	429	1,058	2.46	7,700	17.94	505	1,171	2.32	8,137	16.1
Santa Rosa—										
First	68	312	4.59	.....	.....	105	618	5.88	4,110	39.1
Todd	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saratoga	150	1.393	9.28	3,076	20.50	101	1,410	13.96	1,988	19.6
Sebastopol	207	303	1.46	3,600	17.39	236	159	0.67	2,300	9.7
Sierraville	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sonoma	88	167	1.89	2,325	26.42	81	343	4.23	2,200	27.1
Soquel	45	103	2.29	2,251	50.02	63	.....	.....	1,947	30.9
Stockton	418	2,175	5.20	7,372	17.63	540	2,479	4.59	8,458	15.6
Suisun	88	108	1.22	1,487	16.90–	101	155	1.53	2,075	20.5
Sunnyvale	91	147	1.61	1,980	21.75	99	62	0.62	2,237	22.6
Sunol Glen	15	56	3.73	60	4.00	10	35	3.50	.....	.....
Tipton	36	110	3.05	825	22.96	30	30	1.00	735	24.5
Tulare	179	424	2.37	3,130	17.48	206	304	1.47	2,559	12.4
Weaverville	156	88	0.56	946	6.06	173	6	0.04	963	5.5
Woodside	15	152	10.13	.....	.....	23	192	8.35	609	26.5
Conference	17,878	24,696	1.38	331,809	18.56–	18,605	59,021	3.17	443,241	23.8

Salida Church has completed the repairs on the parsonage, including a new kitchen range, and has put a circulating air heater in the church just this last week, which completes the repairs and improvements on the church.

A CALL FOR HERCULES

We need a pair of broad shoulders, in fact we need lots of them, to help carry on the great work we are trying to do in this state. There were two actions taken at Asilomar which have laid this burden upon us all, and now it is up to each and every one of us to put his shoulder under the load, so it will not become a burden on a few.

In the reorganization incident to the change in superintendency, it became necessary to increase expenses, in order to do more for the churches in this Conference. This change means an added expense of at least $3,000 more than that which has been voted for the preceding years, in order to put in another worker. BUT, the Conference voted to send the same amount to our national and foreign offices for the world-wide work outside of this Conference. This means, that for every dollar you put in the benevolence side of your envelope, 50c is used here in the state, 30c goes to the foreign field, and 20c goes to fields in this country outside of our Conference.

This means an average increase per member of about 33 per cent. Thus, if a member is giving $60 a year to benevolences, with the increase needed, would make $80 from hi Spread over the year, this increas would mean less than $2.00 a mont Will you do your share? This Co ference, your pastor and delegates wh went to Asilomar, had faith that yo would do it. Figure out your share c this increase over what you are givin now, talk it over prayerfully with you family, and then tell your pastor tha you are back of him and the churc in this hour of need.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY AT RIVERSIDE

The Young People of the Riverside District staged a very successful rally, at the Riverside Park, on the evening of September 10th. There were delegations from San Bernardino, Redlands, Highland, Bloomington, Hemet, Rialto, Corona, Perris, as well as from Riverside. The purpose of the rally was not to organize but for fellowship and to develop more of a consciousness of unity among the various Congregational Young People's Societies in that vicinity. Following an hour of games, conducted by Mr. Schneider, a basket lunch was served. A leader from among the young people presided as toast-master, introducing the various delegations. Short talks were given by Revs. H. V. Hartshorn, Paul Waterhouse and Sidney Buckham. Everyone voted it a great success and plans were made to have another rally later on at San Bernardino.

JAPANESE DELEGATE FROM JAPAN

One of the outstanding events of the Claremont Young People's Conference this year was the coming of Miss Chie Koide, as Fraternal Delegate from Japan. She was sent as the representative of the Girls' Summer Camp, conducted by the Congregational Mission in Tottori, Japan, part of her traveling expenses being paid by this group of girls. She was the guest of the Conference. By her winning personality and spirit of cooperation she did much toward a better understanding of the Japanese people. Immediately following the Claremont Conference, Miss Koide went to the M. E. M. Conference at Asilomar. She was entertained also as the guest of the Japanese Interdenominational Conference at East San Pedro. The Girls' Camp, conducted by Miss Maude Anderson, invited her to be their guest for ten days at their Summer Camp. She attended the American-born Japanese Girls' Camp in the San Bernardino Mountains, so that during her three months' stay in Southern California she had a wonderful opportunity not only to interpret Japanese youth to us, but to carry back with her an adequate idea of what we are thinking and doing. Such personal contacts do an immeasurable amount of good in developing Christian Friendship through better understanding.

PLENTY OF WORK FOR ALL OF THEM

The number of different organizations today that are seeking to promote religious education might lead one to believe that there must be some overlapping of effort. There are, for example, the Religious Education Association, the Sunday School Unions, the International Council of Religious Education, the World's Sunday School Association, the State and City Councils of Religious Education, and the National and State Denominational Directors of Religious Education. Can it be that each of these numerous agencies has a distinct function?

While each one of these organizations is interested in the general improvement of religious education through the usual avenues of promotion, teacher training, curricula, etc., it is a fact that every one of them has a distinctive service to render to the cause of better Sunday School work. Thus the Religious Education Association provides more efficiently than any other agency the much-needed research that encourages improvement in method. The Sunday School Unions are doing splendid work in neglected communities where there are no organized churches, and where small groups of children gather for Bible study in homes or school houses. The International Council, with City and State Councils, is cooperating in raising the standard of Sunday School work especially through teacher training, a gigantic task that merits their entire attention. The World's Sunday School Association has a contribution to make through the coordination of religious education on a world-wide scale. All of these latter organizations are adding inspiration and enthusiasm to Sunday School work here and abroad.

Finally, the National and State Denominational officers are kept busy attempting to maintain close contact with their local churches. They draw upon the resources of these interdenominational agencies whenever possible, and when not they try to supply the desired inspiration and leadership themselves. It is one of the duties of a state denominational secretary to act as a medium through which the local church can have access to whatever specialized guidance it may need.

Religious education is a big task, and there is plenty of work for every agency now devoted to its promotion. As long as these various societies are useful they deserve the interest and support of pastors and laymen.

NEW BUILDINGS

The Conference has advanced for new buildings during the last two years $17,611.89, as appears herewith:

BARSTOW:				
Disbursements			$18,412.45	
Receipts:	Oneonta	$1,500.00		
	Long Beach 1st	4,844.00		
	Lake Avenue	70.00		
	Barstow	5,101.00		
	Redlands	500.00		
	C. C. B. S.	4,000.00		
	San Bernardino	151.00		
	Miscellaneous	60.00	$16,226.00	$ 2,186.45
POMONA MEXICAN:				
Disbursements			$15,890.95	
Receipts:	Ontario	914.14		
	No. Wilshire	40.40		
	Pomona Mexican	5,195.85		
	C. I. O'Neill	1,382.08		
	Pomona Pilgrim	104.00		
	C. C. B. S.	5,000.00		
	Whittier	10.00	$12,646.47	$ 3,244.48
BURBANK:				
Disbursements			$7,916.61	
Receipts:	C. C. B. S.		5,000.00	$ 2,916.61
KENSINGTON HEIGHTS:				
Disbursements			$9,264.35	$ 9,264.35
Balance Paid by Conference				$17,611.89

This has made a large drain upon our resources. The aid from the Building Society was half grant and half loan and in each case the church aided, or the Conference in its behalf, will have to repay the loan mortgage in ten equal annual installments. It is expected that there will be aid from the Building Society for Kensington Congregational Church, San Diego, of $1500.00 grant and $1500.00 loan.

AVALON

Rev. LaRue C. Watson closed his pastorate on September 29th. Herewith follows a statement which appeared in the weekly Bulletin for that date: "He leaves with the most kindly feeling toward the Island and its people, and with a sincere interest in their welfare.

"Whoever may be called to the pastorate of this church will come at a most favorable time in the life of the church and community. The latter is beginning a great development and the church should be ready to go forward with it.

"The winter attendance at church the past year was the best yet. In recent years the church has been carrying the largest budget in its history for both current expenses and benevolences. For the first time in the church's history it has for the past few years been having the continuous services of a choir. The church and church school are the best organized they have ever been. About $1,200 are in the bank toward the new church building. The church does not have any indebtedness, and current expenses, including the pastor's salary, are paid up to date.

"During the pastorate just closing many improvements have been made, including the following: Electric cross on steeple, drinking fountain, electric lighted bulletin board, new set of song books, seating for church school room, mimeograph, a weekly mimeographed church bulletin, new lighting fixtures, etc., office furniture and equipment, graded lessons in the church school, repairing and redecorating walls, floors, etc., the pledge-envelope system of finances with regular financial statements, several pieces of furniture added to the parsonage, a new piano for the church auditorium, the auditorium platform enlarged and a rail added, and many other items.

"At the beginning of the present pastorate there were 68 members of this church. During his six years here Mr. Watson has received 78 new members, up to the time this was written a few days ago. There has been a loss of 43 members due to death and transfers to mainland churches. This leaves a total membership a few days ago of 103, the largest the church has ever known.

"Durng this six-year period Mr. Watson has performed 70 marrage ceremonies, the most of any pastor the church has ever had. The pastor does not report these things boastingly, but as encouraging evidence of conditions of progress."

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Bakersfield, Pilgrim continues its Sunday School in the Williams School under the direction of Rev. J. G. Ruoff, for several years pastor of the church. The Conference Superntendent, Rev. A. S. Donat, pastor of the First Church, Bakersfield, and Mrs. Harmon of that church, met wth officers and members of the Pilgrim Church on Saturday evening, September 28th. It was voted to have a meeting of the Pilgrim Church in the near future to see if it will vote to unite with the First Church, Bakersfield. Much credti is due to the small group who have stood by the church through many years of difficulties. There certainly seems to be a place for a Sunday School in the large residential area, of which the Williams School is the center.

Bloomington, Rev E. B. Service, pastor, has made improvements and repairs upon his property, costing over $2,000, which has all been paid for. The church is making good progress under present pastoral leadership.

Escondido, Rev. A. B. MacLeod, formerly pastor of the Claremont Congregational Church, is now resident pastor.

Nuevo, Rev. W. B. Pinkerton, who has been serving Nuevo and Glen Avon jointly, has given up his pastorate at Nuevo.

Lawndale, Rev. John E. Hester, who recently married Miss Helen Phelps, for several years Director of Religious Education of the Oneonta Church, Rev. Holland F. Burr, pastor, is the acting pastor at Lawndale, while carrying on his studies at the U. S. C.

Los Angeles, Armenian Gethsemane, Rev. A. S. Yeretzian, pastor of the church for nearly twenty years, resigned recently.

Los Angeles, First. Rev. Carl S. Patton began his new pastorate at the First Church on Sunday, October 6th, wth a great congregation. The reception was held for Dr. and Mrs. Patton on Tuesday evennig, October 8th.

Los Angeles, Pilgrim had a celebration on Friday evening, October 4th, when the mortgage on the property was burned up. Congratulations to the church and to the pastor, Rev. Samuel Hitchcock.

Los Angeles, All Souls. The celebration on Wednesday evening, September 18th, of the forty-third anniversary of Dr. Aked's entrance upon the pastorate, was attended by a great number of people, who filled the Pilgrim Hall. Dr. A. B. Cooke, president of the Board of Trustees, presided as toastmaster. The speakers (as guests) were as follows: The Rev. John Gardner, D.D.; the Rev. Herbert Booth Smith, D.D.; Mr. Ernest S. Holmes. Speakers (members; five minutes each): Dr. Culbertson, Mr. John J. Akin, Mrs. Myron Westover, Judge Ralph D. Brown, Dr. Raymond J. Huff. Guests of honor: Mrs. Clara Shatto, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred R, Varian, Mr. and Mrs. Blake Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Wilcox, Dr. and Mrs. George F. Kenngott, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Schweitzer.

On Wednesday evening, September 25th, there was a largely attended dinner to welcome Dr. Culbertson (as co-pastor) and Mrs. Culbertson.

Herewith follows an excerpt from the Church Calendar of September 25th: All Souls' Church must take a leading part in the great task of religious education. New methods and ideals, proposed by the Religious Education departments of our great universities and by the International Council of Religious Education, can be tried out in our Church School more readily than in other churches because of three striking facts. First, we are starting practically anew, in a new location, free to begin at the very beginning. Second, our congregation is made up of broad-minded, liberal, thinking, cultured people who are ambitious for the very best. Third, because we have among our number some of the finest and most experienced teachers and officers that could be desired. Mr. Boyd Fuller has been chosen for temporary, and, we hope, permanent superintendent; and with him have been named seven departmental superintendents who will arrange courses of study in keeping with our two chief goals: to produce

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Christ-like character, and to help bring about a Christ-like world. Mrs. D. M. Thomson, who will teach the Young Women's Class, has had for years such a class numbering 160 in the First Church of Los Angeles; Mr. Matthew Walker has been head of a Sunday School in Philadelphia numbering 2,000. Others of our teaching force have had almost equally notable experience."

Kensington Congregational Church, San Diego, dedicated its new building on Sunday, September 15th, with services morning, afternoon and evening. The building, which was erected by Mr. W. F. Riley, is located at the corner of Marlborough and Jefferson Streets, and is altogether attractive and commodious. The field offers a large opportunity immediately for Sunday School under the leadership of Rev. J. F. Sanders, pastor.

Santa Barbara, Rev. Paul A. Davies, pastor, celebrated the sixty-second anniversary of its organization on Wednesday evening, September 25th, with a large attendance. The Conference Superintendent gave the address. The musical program was of an especially high order.

Shafter. Rev. E. A. Waldo terminated his pastorate here several months ago, because of ill-health. Rev. John A. Macdonald, pastor at Wasco, is serving Shafter and Wasco jointly.

Whittier, Rev. E. E. Day, pastor, celebrated the thirty-third anniversary of its organization on Sunday, September 22d, with a large congregation in attendance. The Sunday School number about six hundred and the church renders a great community service.

Pasadena, First Congregational Church. Rev. Edward A. Thompson, pastor for six years of the La Grange Congregational Church, Illinois, has accepted the unanimous call of the Church. During his pastorate at the La Grange First Congregational Church of six years 900 members have been added to the roster, according to information received from La Grange. Of this number 140 have come into the church since the first of the year.

Growth in the church attendance of the La Grange church has resulted from the innovation of holding two services in the morning. The first is held at 9:30 o'clock and the nucleus of the congregation is made up of the high school and the seventh and eighth grade departments of the church school. The Sunday School classes are conducted at 10:15 o'clock. In the past there has been a tendency for the young people of the La Grange church to attend Sunday School and then go home, but the opportunity for them to attend a brief service and hear a sermon vital to their young lives, Dr. Thompson believes, will give them the church habit. In fact, the earlier church service is looked on as a possible solution of a critical problem that is facing church life.

Dr. Thompson preaches at both services, the sermon being different but the program of the same order at both services.

Ontario. Rev. Charles L. Knight has resigned the pastorate of the La Jolla Congregational Church in order to accept the call to Ontario. Herewith follows an excerpt from the La Jolla paper regarding Mr. Knight:

During the eight years of his pastorate membership in the church has practically doubled, the church debt has been wiped out, the extra lot on Ivanhoe Avenue paid for, a fine organ installed free of debt, and all the avenues of the church work have been built up. For seven years varied and interesting evening services have been planned, including the popular motion picture services, discontinued a year or so ago. Seven years ago the La Jolla Men's Club, now a strong organization, was formed, and has met monthly in the church parlors. Mr. Knight was one of those organizing the La Jolla Masonic Lodge, and has been its chaplain from the first.

Mrs. Knight has faithfully seconded her husband's work in the community. She gave much of her time to work among the juniors, and taught in the Sunday School, and the Junior Church was organized and conducted for two years by her. She has also served as chairman of the Missionary Society for two years. Miss Evelyn Knight, for four years pianist in the Sunday School and Young People's Society, is a popular high school senior, and it is the regret of her classmates that she will not go through her last year in high school with them. Many good wishes will follow the Knight family to their new home in Ontario.

SAN BERNARDINO ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS

Mr. A. W. Swisher, Moderator. Rev. J. H. Olmstead, Registrar
Annual Fall Meeting, Congregational Church, Highland
Rev. Harold V. Hartshorn, Pastor
Wednesday, October 16, 1929

MORNING SESSION

9:45 Organ Recital
10:00 Worship.....Rev. T. M. Patterson, Rialto
10:15 Call to Order—Organization and Program
10:30 Address: "The Failure of the Mechanistic Interpretation of Life"
.....Prof. Harry L. Boardman, Junior College, Riverside
11:00—Address: "The Recognition of the Spiritual Interpretation of Life"
.....Rev. H. C. Culbertson, D.D., All Souls' Church, Los Angeles
11:30 Discussion led by Rev. H. C. Ide, Redlands
12:15 Luncheon

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:45 Worship.....Rev. J. Horace Mallows, Etiwanda
2:00 Rol Call and Business
2:30 Address: "View of San Bernardino Association from an Airplane."
.....Rev. James R. Hewitt, Yucaipa
2:50 Reports of the National Council:
From the Outside.....Mr. J. S. Edwards, Redlands
From the Inside.....Rev. Harold V. Hartshorn, Highland
3:30 Address: "Neighbors at the Wicket Gate."
.....Rev. George F. Kenngott, D.D., Superintendent of Conference
4:40 Address: "The Vital Thing for All Our Churches"
.....Rev. Raymond C. Brooks, D. D., Pomona College, Claremont
4:30 Discussion led by Rev. L. A. Young, San Bernardino
5:00 Adjournment

EVENING SESSION

6:30 Banquet
Music furnished by the Highland Church
Mr. A. W. Swisher, Moderator, presiding
Speakers: Rev. Paul E. Waterhouse, Extension Secretary of the Conference
Rev. George L. Marsh, former teacher in Athens, Greece
Mr. Allen E. McAllester, Agricultural Expert, Sachikela, West Central Africa
9:00 Adjournment

Luncheon Tickets, 50c. Banquet Tickets, 75c.

Bring as many delegates as possible. Get up a number of automobile loads to come to the evening banquet. Notify Rev. Harold V. Hartshorn, Highland, of the number by October 14.

FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS

Tuesday, October 15, 1929.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, SIERRA MADRE
Moderator: Rev. Arthur O. Pritchard. Assistant: Rev. Holland F. Burr.
Registrar-Treasurer: Rev. Albert P. Davis
At the First Congregtional Church, Sierra Madre
Theme: "Adapting Ourselves to the Changing World"

MORNING SESSION

9:30 Organization and other business
Election of Scribe
Appointment of Committees on Nominations and Resolutions
10:00 "Emphases in the Local Church Program"
Rev. F. O. Wyatt, Eagle Rock.
Rev. Holland F. Burr, Oneonta Park.
Rev. A. F. Stauffacher, Claremont.
Open discussion.
10:45 "The National Trend as Seen Through the National Council."
Rev. Henry K. Booth, Long Beach.
Rev. Paul Davies, Santa Barbara.
Rev. Arthur O. Pritchard, Sierra Madre.
Open discussion.
11:25 Address, "Adapting Our Minds".....Prof. Hartley B. Alexander
Professor of Philosophy, Scripps College
11:50 Devotions.....Rev. Bradford Leavitt, Pasadena
12:00 Luncheon.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 Business Reports; Registrar, Committees. Election of Officers.
Application of All Souls' Church.
2:45 "Our Problems as Seen from the Pew".....Mr. Blake Franklin, Glendale
3:00 "The Trend in World Affairs":
"In Palestine".....Rev. J. H. Hutchins, Pasadena
"In Athens".....Rev. George A. Marsh, Claremont
"In International Circl.....Rev. Geo. F. Kenngott, Los Angeles
4:00 Address, "The Gospel in Action".....Mr. Allen E. McAllester
West Central Africa
4:30 Business.
5:15 Devotions.....Rev. Bradford Leavitt, Pasadena
Assisted by Junior Choir
5:35 Adjournment.
6:00 Dinner.

EVENING SESSION

7:30 Devotions.....Rev. Bradford Leavitt, Pasadena
"Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem" (Maunder).....Chorus Choir
Mrs. Myrtle G. Hill, Director
Address, "The National Religious Outlook," Dr. Carl S. Patton, Los Angeles

BOOKS FOR SALE AT HALF PRICE

	Full Price	Sale Price
Archeology and the Bible, G. A. Barton	$3.50	$1.75
Woodrow Wilson, William Allen White	5.00	2.50
Psychology of Religion, Selbie	4.00	2.00
The Ways of Life, Lull	3.00	1.50
William Robertson Nicoll, Darlow	3.50	1.75
Why We Behave Like Human Beings, Dorsey	3.50	1.75
World and Its Meaning, Patrick	3.50	1.75
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Teaching the Youth of the Church, Maus	1.80	.90
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Church of the Spirit, Peabody	2.00	1.00
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READING CIRCLE

The books selected for this year by the committee are as follows:

1. A Preface to Morals by Lippmann.
2. Exploring Your Mind by Wiggam.
3. The Bridge Between the Testaments by Booth.
4. Borden Bowne by McConnell.
5. Young People and the Church by Stock.
6. Man's Social Destiny by Ellwood.
7. Religion of the Spirit by Tittle.
8. Humanity of God by Buckham.